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1. Col. Georgi ATANASOV was CO of the "Georgi BENKOVSKI" Air Force Academy. He emigrated to Soviet Russia in 1926, returning to Bulgaria after 9 September 1944. He was not trained for air force service.
2. Nikola PETKOV was tactical instructor. He is a former reserve colonel who had been Chief of Staff of the air force up to 1948. He was placed on reserve status in 1948 and was later reinducted as a civilian. He was the only instructor of the Academy with advanced military training.
3. All instructors were Communists, none of whom had attended the General Staff Academy or the War Academy. The instruction staff did not meet technical requirements of assignments and was chiefly concerned with political indoctrination.

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